Math 238 Final Examination

Closed book. Calculators are allowed. You are not permitted to consult with your fellow students in any way. Time: 3 hours .

Part I

Question 1. (Three questions, each worth 1 pt) Determine whether the series converges or diverges. Find the sum of each convergent series. Be careful about the lower limits of summation.

(a)
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sqrt{\frac{n^2 - 1}{n^2 + 1}}$$
,

$$(b)\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}\frac{7^{n+3}}{3^{2n-2}},$$

$$(c)\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}\frac{\cos(n\pi)}{2^n}.$$

Question 2. (2 pts) Find the radius of convergence of each of the power series below:

 $(a)\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}\frac{1}{n}x^{2n},$

 $(c)\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} (x-3)^{2n}$

Question 3. (2 pts) Find the Maclaurin series for $f(x) = x^3 e^{x^2}$ and compute $f^{(1000)}(0)$, the 1000-th derivative of f at x = 0.

Question 4. (4 pts) Find the Taylor series of $f(x) = \cos x$ about $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$

Question 5. (2 pts) Solve the initial value problem $yy' = \sin^2 t$, $y(0) = \sqrt{3}$ Hint: $\sin^2 t = \frac{1-\cos 2t}{2}$

Question 6. (2 pts) Solve the initial value problem y'' + y' - 2y = 0, y(0) = 4, y'(0) = 1

Question 7. (3 pts) Find a general solution of $y'' - 2y' + y = e^t \sin t$.

Question 8. (2 pts) Suppose we know two solutions y_1 and y_2 of the equation y'' + p(t)y'' + q(t)y = 0, where p(t) and q(t) are continuous functions on the interval [a, b]. Suppose in addition that $y_1(t_0) = y_2(t_0) = 0$ at $a < t_0 < b$. Show that $\{y_1, y_2\}$ do not form a fundamental set. Give a precise argument. If you are using a theorem, state the theorem in its entirety, with all the necessary assumptions.

Part II

Question 9. (4 pts) A cylindrical buoy 60 cm in diameter stands in water with its axis vertical. When depressed slightly and released, it is found that the period of vibration is 2 sec. Determine the weight of the buoy. Hint: By Archimedes's

principle, the buoyancy force equals the weight of the water displaced by the body. Some, possibly useful, constants: $g = 9.81 m/sec^2$, $\rho_{water} = 1000 kg/m^3$.

Question 10. (3 pts) Show that xy' + y + 4 = 0 is exact and then solve it.

Question 11. (3 pts) Find the sum of the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)}$. Hint: Use the partial fraction decomposition.

Part III

Question 12. (3 pts) How many terms in the Maclaurin series for $f(x) = e^{-x^2}$ guarantee a truncation error of less than 10^{-5} for all x in the interval $0 \le x \le 2$?

Question 13. (4 pts) Show that the sequence $c_1 = 2$, $c_{n+1} = \frac{1}{3-c_n}$, $n \ge 1$ is convergent and find its limit.

Hint: Show by induction that $0 < c_n \le 2$, for all $n \ge 1$.

Question 14. (3 pts) Find a general solution of the equation:

$$y'' + 2\gamma y' + \omega_0^2 y = \frac{f_0}{m} e^{\alpha t} \cos \beta t$$

by first solving the same equation with the right hand side replaced by $\frac{f_0}{m}e^{\alpha t}e^{i\beta t}$ and then taking the real part of the solution. Assume $\omega_0^2 > \gamma$.

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